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FOR: FIXING DEVICE, IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS INCLUDING THE FIXING DEVICE, AND FIXING

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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

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SIR:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.